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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

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Re:	Request for Continued Examination
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Serial No.:	10/813,817
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Invention:	CUSTOMER INFORMATION CARD GAME
Art Unit:	3711
Examiner:	COLLINS, Dolores R.
Our Docket:	P00870-US-00 (11049.0013)

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Examiner Collins:

In response to the May 16, 2006 Office Action ("Office Action"), Applicants make a request for continued examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Applicant encloses a Request for Continued Examination Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/30) and a check for \$455.00, which includes the amount of \$395.00 to cover the RCE filing fee. The submission required

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 has been previously submitted. Specifically, on July 19, 2006,

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Applicants filed a Response to the Office Action that included remarks and amendments to the claims. By Advisory Action mailed on August 2, 2006, the Examiner declined to enter the July 19<sup>th</sup> amendment. Therefore, Applicants' Response of July 19, 2006 serves as the submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. *See* M.P.E.P. § 706.07(h). A copy of the Response is also enclosed herewith.

### **REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

In addition, Applicants respectfully petition the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for a one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), from August 16, 2006 to September 16, 2006. Submitted herewith, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), is a check for \$455.00, which includes the amount of \$60.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

### **CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully submitted that Applicants have made a patentable contribution to the art. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

In the event that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need to petition for an extension of time or for payment of a fee, Applicants conditionally petition therefor and authorize any fee deficiency to be charged to Deposit Account 09-0007.

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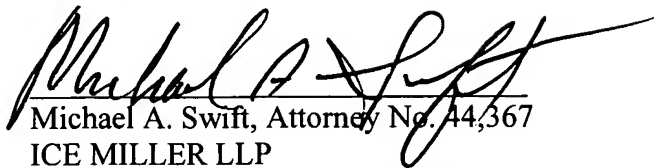
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